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DOCK'S FATE UNSETTLED DIVERS NOW AT WORK

UNCLE SAM MAY DROP TASK

No Definite Plans Can Be Made Until Report of Underwater Investigations Is Complete—Naval Officers Spend Morning Probing Conditions at Pearl Harbor—No Estimate of Amount of Damage Has Been Reached as Yet but It May Touch Two-Million-Dollar Mark

Divers, groping in the dim green light that filters through a mass of broken timbers, twisted iron and uprooted piling of a ruined drydock are today determining the fate of Pearl Harbor. These submarine explorers are trying to deduce from conditions below the surface the real reason for the chaos that appears above. On their report depends whether another effort will be made to conquer the treacherous coral beds of the harbor, or whether the present plans will be abandoned and a floating drydock substituted.

Four years of heroic effort were wiped away at one blow yesterday when the men who had fought and seemingly won the hardest engineering fight in the history of drydock construction looked on, powerless to save, and hardly able to realize the meaning of the awful havoc that was being wrought before them. Even today, in the light of cool investigation and solid engineering knowledge, only one fact stands out as an absolute certainty—that where there was a partially completed drydock there is now no drydock; nothing but a huge basin cluttered with smashed timbers and overturned machinery.

The One Vital Question.
While the total wreck of the drydock is an indisputable fact, there is one point which must be settled before the navy engineers and the drydock contractors can turn again to the fight. That is the actual location and condition of the bottom under what was former Section 3 of the false cribwork. When Section 2, which was being pumped, was forced upward by the pressure of the water below, and went crashing to destruction, Section 3 sank, and slid seaward some twenty feet, pushing the other section before it toward the outboard end of the dock. If this sinking of Section 3 was due to a sudden caving away of the harbor bottom, the problem of building a drydock on the present site is practically hopeless. If, on the other hand, Section 3 caved in because the supports were knocked from under it, there will still be a way to re-build, and make the bottom hold.

"We can make no plans until the divers have made their reports," said Civil Engineer E. R. Gayler, the navy engineer in charge of the entire Pearl Harbor project, as he picked his way across the floating timbers of Section 3 this morning. "If we find that this section sank because the bottom slid away from under it, it looks like a hopeless job to ever build a drydock here. If it sank because the props were knocked from under it, by the upheaval and break-up of Section 2, it will show that conditions of the bottom are not so bad after all. More than that I can't say just now. This is the third and by far the greatest setback that we have had on this job, and it will take some time to estimate the real cause and extent of the damage."

Awaiting Further Orders.
This was a busy morning at Pearl Harbor, and a discouraging one for engineers and contractors. However, the work of salvage has already been started, and as the debris is cleared away, and more extensive tests made, it will be possible to see ahead. No definite steps will be taken until instructions arrive from Washington, which will not be until a full report has been mailed there, and an answer received. A report of what actually occurred has been cabled by Admiral Cowles, but probably the navy department will wait further cabled details before sending orders.

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Admiral W. C. Cowles and a view of the drydock before the crash came.

"Insurgent" Move Practically Dead

Republicans of Both House and Senate Say They Will Forego Factional Elections

Senator Eric A. Knudsen, president of the senate, Representative H. L. Holstein, speaker of the house, is the program that probably will be carried through tomorrow morning by a well-organized Republican delegation in the 1913 territorial legislature. Both of the insurgent movements that developed over Sunday practically fell through over Monday night. The refusal of Senator Cecil Brown of Oahu to become a candidate for president of the senate virtually assured Knudsen of re-election to the position, and the combine of Oahu and Maui Republicans and Oahu Democrats, which hinged largely on the senate situation, today seems certain not to materialize.

By standing together and against a factional fight over legislative offices, the Republicans have also defeated what they declare is a flank move by the Democrats to secure a lot of good positions as well as to stir up dissension in Republican ranks. The Democrats were and are willing to trade support for good committee positions. The Bourbons have eleven

members in the house and hoped for the support of Kawewehi, Home Ruler, as a twelfth. They have four staunch party men in the senate and hope that Makekau and Baker will make two more. In both house and senate the Democrats have a healthy minority that can always make trouble for a Republican delegation split in factional fights.

The Democratic senators were ready to throw their strength to any Republican who would come out for president against Knudsen and divide the upper house regulars. They were willing to trade their support to an Oahu man if they could be assured of some important positions. According to the information received in the Republican camp, the Bourbons wished to head the judiciary committee, Metzger the health committee and Iaukea the educational or printing committee. However, the Republican senators have so far refused to split and this morning give every indication of supporting Knudsen loyally. Senator Cecil Brown of Oahu has told his fellow-members that he does not wish to be president of the upper house and does not feel that he wishes even

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FREAR HAS PLAN FOR NEW OFFICE STRUCTURE

It is understood Governor Frear advocates a plan for a new territorial office building which would segregate from the other government departments those of the public works, the water and sewer and the survey, at the same time providing vaults for the safeguarding of the valuable maps and other documents which at present are virtually unprotected. Whether this is to be included in the governor's general or some of his special messages to the legislature is unknown at this time, but it is certain that it will be brought to the attention of the lawmaking body, with arguments that will appeal strongly to them. For one thing, the capital building is crowded now, and some difficulty may be encountered in finding space for the numerous committees of both houses. Though it is planned to surrender to them a portion of the space in the department of public works, the latter already is taxed for room; for that matter, the survey and water departments also are overcrowded. And so is the board of health. That part of the survey office now in the building with the public health department would be removed, it is suggested, and the health officials given that entire edifice of which they assert they are badly in need. With the removal of the public

works department that space, in the capital building's basement would be given to permanent legislative committee rooms. During the present session the lanai space on the mauka side of the building will have to serve for some of these bodies. One of the apartments in the attorney-general's quarters will be given over to them and some other space may be found.

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SMITH HERO AS DRYDOCK COLLAPSES

Contractor Dares Death to Save Laborer Trapped in Big Wreck

Every great disaster has produced its hero, and Francis B. ("Drydock") Smith, engineer of the San Francisco Bridge Company, is the hero of the disaster to Pearl Harbor drydock yesterday afternoon. Facing death in a desperate attempt to save the life of a day-laborer whose name he did not even know, Smith's deed of cool bravery and heroism is the deed about which all those who saw the smashup yesterday were talking last night and today. When the crash came and the second section began to crumble, Smith, Civil Engineer Gaffner and others of the men who have been putting the big job through, rushed for the sides of the dock. They had reached a point outside the safety zone when Smith, glancing back to the spot where the timbers were already beginning to shoot up from the bottom, saw that one of the two score laborers madly scrambling for safety had in some manner fallen or been pushed from a timber on which he was running, into the rising waters and that he was apparently unable to regain his footing. Disregarding the frantic shouts of warning from his companions, even pulling away from a man who tried to hold him, Smith ran back down into the drydock, seized the man as he struggled in the water and half-carried, half-dragged him out of the zone of danger. He reached the sides of the section a few seconds before the spot where he had rescued the laborer became a boiling maelstrom of wreckage and foaming waters. Men who witnessed the rescue say that it was the bravest thing they ever saw.

WILSON OFF TO BOOST FOR LINK

The Scramble for Federal Jobs Takes on Fresh Vim with Action of Territorial Committee or the Bourbons

Battle for the governorship is fairly joined at last. With Bertram Rivenburg in Washington in the interests of G. J. Waller with Waller himself, as support, comes now the information that Johnny Wilson, national committeeman is to be sent to the national capital by Link L. McCandless to boost and keep on boosting the aspirants of the "Landlocked One." Watson is the only one of the trio of aspirants for the post held now by Governor Frear, who is not actively chasing the job. The final decision to send the national committeeman to Washington was reached only last night, at a meeting of members of the territorial committee of the party, although there has been talk of doing so for some days, and Wilson will leave on the Lurline tonight with Link as his private banker and hope. Wilson

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VAUGHAN MACCAUGHEY TO TAKE MYRICK'S POST

Vaughan MacCaughey, a professor in the College of Hawaii, has received the appointment as principal of the Mills Institute to take the place of Stephen J. Myrick, the present principal, whose resignation has been accepted by the board of regents and which takes effect in April. Mr. MacCaughey has been connected with the College of Hawaii for some time, and is considered a very efficient instructor. He will take up his work as principal of the Mills Institute immediately upon the retirement of Mr. Myrick. Mr. Myrick, it is understood, has had several offers of positions elsewhere but will remain in the islands for some time after he leaves the school.

J. P. MORGAN IS FAST IMPROVING

(Associated Press Cable)
CAIRO, Egypt, Feb. 18.—Reports from the sick room of J. P. Morgan, the American financier and money king, show that he is steadily improving and that the acute indigestion that attacked him the other day is not so serious as was at first feared. A New York couple were married beside the coffin in which rested the groom's mother. That the wedding was thus performed was the last wish of the dying woman.

HAWAII'S LABOR IS HURT OVERRIDES TAFT'S VETO

PROHIBITION FOR HAWAII LOOMS UP AT CAPITOL

Temperance Workers Suddenly Appear in Washington and Begin Hard Work

By C. S. ALBERT

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The matter of prohibition legislation for Hawaii suddenly loomed up here without warning. It seemed to spring up over night, although has been dormant since the introduction of Senator Gronna's bill, April 29, 1912.

It is too late for any action at this session of Congress. The idea is not to force a bill through the senate and house but merely lay a firm foundation on which a structure may be reared when a new Congress comes into life. For that end the White Ribbons are working. Everybody supposed that prohibition for Hawaii was a dead issue until next winter, when the regular session of another congress meets, until Ellen A. Weaver of Honolulu came to this city and requested a hearing before the senate committee on Pacific islands and Porto Rico, before which body the measure of Mr. Gronna has been slumbering for nearly ten months. The petition was granted and a subcommittee named to hear those favoring the bill.

John G. Woolley, a famous temperance lecturer of Minnesota, and one time candidate of the prohibition party for president of the United States, came before the subcommittee with Mrs. Weaver, who is said to be an active and prominent temperance worker in Hawaii. Both of them made strong speeches in which they sought to demonstrate how liquor has held its iron and deteriorating grip on the poorer classes of Hawaii and retarded the better progress of the Territory.

At the conclusion of the hearing an announcement was made that the Gronna prohibition bill would be taken up at the next meeting of the committee. An effort will be made to have it favorably reported. It will come up at the same time as the nomination of Governor Frear and the bill proposing citizenship for the people of Porto Rico.

"White man's rum" was held responsible at the hearing for the destruction of the native Hawaiians. It was the reason assigned by Senator Gronna for the introduction of his bill. In speaking on the subject, Mr. Gronna said: "We have already had abundant proof that the effect of American liquor has been as terrible in Hawaii as among the American Indians. We have assurances that a great majority of the educated and influential class in Hawaii want the sale of intoxicants abolished."

"I think the measure will be passed early in the next session, if not at this time." Many of the strongest temperance men in the senate oppose legislation prohibiting the sale of intoxicants in Hawaii at this time. They believe the advocates of such legislation are not acting fairly. They feel the matter should have been deferred for a reasonable period before attempting to secure the interference of congress.

BAND CONCERT AT MOANA HOTEL

The Royal Hawaiian Band will give a band concert at the Moana Hotel tonight commencing at 7:30, to which the public is cordially invited.—advertisement.

District Attorney Whitman claims to have evidence of a \$4,400,000 graft system in operation in New York City.

HONOLULU DECKING HERSELF IN HER 'GLAD RAGS' FOR THE BIG CARNIVAL

In response to the call issued during the latter part of last week by the committee in charge of decorating the business section of the city for the Floral Parade and Mid-Pacific Carnival, flags and bunting have been routed out of their hiding places and put into commission, with the result that the business houses are blossoming forth in a riot of color and taking on an unusually attractive appearance. Chairman Unger and several members of the committee spent considerable time this morning in making a survey of that part of King street which passes through the business section, with a view to decorating that portion of the street with a number of flags of different countries. This scheme, in company with several others which the committee is now working on, will be the attractive appearance of the business district.

The plans for the parade are now complete, many of the chairmen of the various committee having submitted their final reports. S. A. Walker, chairman of the automobile section, reports that there will be nearly fifty decorated automobiles entered in the section of which he has charge. There will be from twenty-five to thirty decorated horse-drawn floats according to Chairman John Hughes of the committee in charge of that section, and the motorcycle section, which will prove to be one of the big features, will have no end of entries. Chairman A. Q. Marcellino of the committee in charge of the bicycle section, says that a genuine surprise will be sprung by the entrants in his



Mrs. Ellen Armstrong, sister of the noted General Armstrong, and now in Washington advocating prohibition legislation for Hawaii. She was manager of the Lunalilo Home until she left for the mainland.

GAS HOLDS MAUNA KEA FIRE IN CHECK

Carbonic acid gas has held in check the fires smoldering in the forward hold of the Inter-Island steamer Mauna Kea, according to a wireless message received this morning by President and General Manager James A. Kennedy. The Mauna Kea is declared by Agent McKee of Hilo as not having suffered material damage through the combustion of several hundred barrels of Hawaiian-made lime. The use of steam in fighting the fire has been discontinued, and the gas is subsiding. Predictions are made that the fire will be extinguished without delay, now that appliances are on hand with which to cope with it in a successful manner. The Kilauea, rushed to the scene, will return to Honolulu by six o'clock this evening, and in time to transfer passengers and mails to the Matson Navigation steamer Lurline, bound for the coast. The Kilauea departed from Hilo at 4 o'clock this morning.

Letters from various steamship and railroad companies on the mainland inquiring into the prospects for summer travel to Hawaii, are constantly being received at the office of the promotion committee.

Secretary Wood was in receipt of a letter this morning from the general passenger agent of the Baltimore & Maryland Railroad, at Baltimore, asking that literature of the islands be sent to him for distribution in the various offices of that company. The agent is planning a trip to the islands in the near future at which time he will make an investigation regarding the advisability of advertising Hawaii. "The prospects for tourist travel to Hawaii this summer are good," said Secretary Wood this morning. "I am constantly receiving requests for literature from a number of steamship and railroad companies, and I feel that the advertising which they will do will tend to turn the traveling public in the direction of Hawaii."

SENATORS TAKE BIT

Refuse to Yield to the Wishes of the President and Once More Flout the White House. Heavy Blow Dealt at Territory by Action of the Upper House of Congress — Fight Not Yet Over

(Associated Press Cable)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Flouting the wishes of the President, the United States senate today passed the Burnett-Dillingham immigration bill over his veto, by a large margin. The bill goes as originally framed. It is believed that the house will follow suit and the bill will become a law. The fight, however, is not over and its opponents are hoping that they may be able to kill it in the house. The fight on the veto has been led by Senator Lodge, who expressed himself as pleased with the outcome in the senate and confident of the result in the house.

FEDERALS ON VERGE OF PANIC

(Associated Press Cable)

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 18.—With the federal troops badly beaten in a fierce battle of the rebels led by Diaz in person this morning and utterly demoralized, another move showing the weakness of the Madero position was taken by Senor Pedro Lascurain, minister for foreign affairs, this morning when he announced, speaking for the president that Madero is willing to accept in principle, his appointment as president pro tem. The announcement, coming as it did after the defeat of the federalists this morning and a night of desperate rallies and intermittent bombardment, is taken as the beginning of the end for Madero. The federalists, it is learned, have sent a strong detachment of troops to the pueblo of Cuernavaca, forty miles south of the city, and it is believed that this is the first step toward safeguarding the retreat of the whole of the Madero force.

It is impossible to verify anything. The censorship is so strict that even the news of the death of Silas Gilmore, an American manufacturer, was held up for a time, but by orders of General Huerta was finally allowed through. Gilmore was killed by a stray bullet.

General Huerta has issued orders that no one, not even the senators, shall be permitted to enter the palace and no information of the actual conditions there can be obtained.

A dispatch from Washington announced this morning that Secretary Knox has advised President Taft that so far as can be learned the rules of civilized warfare are being observed and there is, as yet, no reason for intervention.

POWERS APPROVE

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The stand taken by the American government in the Mexican troubles is heartily approved both by press and governments of Europe. President Taft is coming in for much praise for the firmness he has shown.

The U. S. government is publishing a document explaining the treatment for tuberculosis discovered by Dr. Friedman. It is claimed that inoculation against the disease is possible.